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MEAT ANIMALS PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME

Charleston, West Virginia – The production of meat animals in West Virginia during 2017 totaled 155.5 million pounds, up 5 percent from 2016. Cattle and calves production increased to 154.2 million pounds from 146.2 million pounds in 2016. Hogs and pigs production decreased 2 percent to 1.36 million pounds from 1.39 million pounds in 2016. The value of production of meat animals increased to \$176.7 million compared to the value of \$173.6 million in 2016.

Total 2017 cash receipts from marketings for all meat animals were \$193.2 million, up 13 percent from cash receipts of \$170.5 million in 2016. Cattle and calves accounted for over 99 percent of the total cash receipts and hogs and pigs accounted for less than 1 percent.

The 2017 gross income from cattle and calves and hogs and pigs was \$198.9 million, up 13 percent from the 2016 gross income of \$176.5 million. Gross income from cattle and calves was up 13 percent, but hogs and pigs was down 20 percent from 2016.

Cattle and calves: Cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves increased 13 percent during 2017. Receipts totaled \$192.6 million compared with \$169.9 million in 2016. All cattle and calf marketings during 2017 reached 167.3 million pounds, up from 142.4 million pounds in 2016.

Hogs and pigs: Cash receipts from marketings of hogs and pigs were \$557,000 during 2017, up 1 percent from the 2016 cash receipts of \$552,000. Marketings of 1.0 million pounds during 2017 were 5 percent below the 2016 total marketings of 1.1 million pounds.

United States – Total 2017 production of cattle and calves and hogs and pigs for the United States totaled 81.7 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 2016. Production increased 4 percent for cattle and calves and 3 percent for hogs and pigs.

Total 2017 cash receipts from marketings of meat animals increased 7 percent to \$88.4 billion. Cattle and calves accounted for 76 percent of this total and hogs and pigs accounted for 24 percent.

The 2017 gross income from cattle and calves and hogs and pigs for the United States totaled \$88.9 billion, up 7 percent from 2016. Gross income increased 6 percent for cattle and calves and 11 percent for hogs and pigs from previous year's gross income.

Cattle and Calves: Cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves increased 6 percent from \$63.7 billion in 2016 to \$67.4 billion in 2017. All cattle and calf marketings totaled 57.4 billion pounds in 2017, up 6 percent from 2016.

Hogs and Pigs: Cash receipts from hogs and pigs totaled \$21.1 billion during 2017, up 11 percent from 2016. Marketings totaled 38.1 billion pounds in 2017, up 3 percent from 2016.

Note: Gross income equals cash receipts plus value of home consumption. Cash receipts equals receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. Marketings exclude custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State.